

Requesting Member: Congressman RON PAUL

Bill Number: H.R. 3183

Account: USACE, O&M

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

Address of Requesting Entity: 2000 Fort Point Road, Galveston, TX 77550

Description of Request: An earmark of \$26,046,000 to fund infrastructure improvement in the GIWW, Texas.

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Bill Number: H.R. 3183

Account: USACE, O&M

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

Address of Requesting Entity: 2000 Fort Point Road, Galveston, TX 77550

Description of Request: An earmark of \$4,627,000 to fund infrastructure improvement in the Matagorda Ship Channel, Texas.

Requesting Member: Congressman RON PAUL

Bill Number: H.R. 3183

Account: USACE, O&M

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

Address of Requesting Entity: 2000 Fort Point Road, Galveston, TX 77550

Description of Request: An earmark of \$4,000,000 to fund infrastructure improvement in the Texas City Ship Channel, Texas.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. JEFF MILLER

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 16, 2009

Mr. MILLER of Florida. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I received as part of the Fiscal Year 2010 Labor, Health and Human Services, Education and Related Agencies request.

Requesting Member: Congressman JEFF MILLER

Project Name: Pensacola Incentive—Based Model for Healthcare Transformation

Account: Department of Health and Human Services

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: University of West Florida, Pensacola, FL

Address of Requesting Entity: 11000 University Parkway, Pensacola, Florida, 32514

Description of Request: \$400,000—Pensacola Incentive-Based Model for Healthcare Transformation. This project will provide funds to pilot and evaluate alternative incentive structures (e.g., cost reduction, direct payment, etc.) to encourage participation of doctors and other providers in Health Information Technology (HIT) networks. HIT seeks to minimize costs by sharing information. But then what incentives will encourage doctors to use HIT and abandon the more lucrative procedure-based system? The proposed project will determine the best strategies to increase adoption and use rates. Advances in HIT will improve the quality of life and economic potential via better health care outcomes and reduced health care expenditures. The lessons from this pilot program are transferrable nationally. The research design will compare dif-

ferent incentive structures in terms of ease of use, provider awareness, use rates, and efficacy in outcomes. I certify that this project does not have a direct and foreseeable effect on the pecuniary interest of my spouse or me. Consistent with the Republican Leadership's policy on earmarks, I hereby certify that this request (1) is not directed to any entity or program named after a sitting Member of Congress; (2) is not intended for a "front" or "pass through" entity; and (3) meets or exceeds all statutory requirements for matching funds where applicable.

EARMARK DECLARATION—

HON. STEVE SCALISE

OF LOUISIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 16, 2009

Mr. SCALISE. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on Congressionally-directed project funding, I am submitting the following information regarding project funding I requested for Southeast Louisiana as part of the Fiscal Year 2010 Financial Services Appropriations Act.

Requesting Member: Congressman STEVE SCALISE

Bill Number: Fiscal Year 2010 Financial Services Appropriations

Bill Account: Small Business Administration, Salaries and Expenses

Name of Requesting Entity: West Jefferson Medical Center

Address of Requesting Entity: 1101 Medical Center Boulevard, Marrero, LA 70072

Description of Request: I have secured \$100,000 for the West Jefferson Medical Center. This funding will be used for training of Certified Nurse Assistants and Phlebotomists. There is an opportunity to increase technical competencies while responding positively to patient needs. The enhanced skills provided by the training will lead to improved quality of care, improved patient satisfaction, reduced employee turnover, and enhanced employee effectiveness and productivity. I certify that neither I nor my spouse has any financial interest in this project.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. MIKE ROGERS

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 16, 2009

Mr. ROGERS of Alabama. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I received as part of H.R. 3170—Financial Services and General Government Appropriations Act, 2010.

Requesting Member: Congressman MIKE ROGERS (AL)

Bill Number: H.R. 3170

Account: Small Business Administration, Salaries and Expenses

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Alabama Small Business Institute of Commerce

Address of Requesting Entity: 3331 Rainbow Drive, Suite E, Rainbow City, Alabama 35906

Description of Request: "Alabama Small Business Institute of Commerce business training, \$100,000." Taxpayer justification—It is my understanding that this funding will be used to hire more business counselors to train small business owners throughout the Third Congressional District on how to contract with the Federal Government. East Alabama has many opportunities for Federal government contracting. Contracting is a complex but advantageous way for small businesses to find and maintain work. Contracting assistance is a needed service especially with the expected growth due to the recent BRAC decision and the overall economic situation.

HONORING JACQUELINE BASNEY AND ANGELIQUE'S BRIDAL SALON IN BLAINE, MINNESOTA FOR HOSTING A "MILITARY EXTRAVAGANZA"

HON. MICHELE BACHMANN

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 16, 2009

Mrs. BACHMANN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Jacqueline Basney and the employees of Angelique's Bridal Salon in Blaine, Minnesota for their thoughtful commitment to the military families of Minnesota. For the second year, Angelique's has hosted a "Military Extravaganza." This past weekend, they gave away 50 wedding gowns to women who are either serving or engaged to someone serving in the military at no cost to the couple. As owner of Angelique's, Jackie gives away the freshly cleaned and repaired sample gowns of discontinued styles. "These dresses are like new and just beautiful," she says.

Inspired after hearing of a similar event at another shop, Jackie went a step further by involving local vendors from the Twin Cities area to donate limo rides, photography sessions, tuxedo rentals—everything needed for the perfect wedding. Even more, the event is a way of connecting families who share the same uncommon situation. One set of four women lined up at eleven o'clock the night before and by the time they had picked their dresses the next morning, they were good friends, taking photos and exchanging phone numbers and promising to stay in touch. You simply can't put a price tag on that kind of support—particularly for women so in need of a little extra friendship for the sacrifices they make for our nation.

To take part in the event, couples submit letters and Jackie reads each one. Learning how they met and their plans for their life together lead her to tears at just the idea that she'll be a part of their wedding days. This year was especially moving when one lucky bride-to-be called her fiancé in Iraq and he personally thanked Jackie for her special gift. But Jackie seeks no thanks, saying it's only their way of paying it forward as "they pay us back double."

While these service men and women are separated by time and distance, Angelique's is committed to making their big day the best it can be. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor and thank everyone at Angelique's Bridal Salon in Blaine, Minnesota and especially Jacqueline Basney for helping the men and women in our military in this unique way.

While many couples enjoy the luxury of planning and preparing together, this event brings families and strangers together in a way many never expected, but are eternally grateful to have experienced.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. ROBERT B. ADERHOLT

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 16, 2009

Mr. ADERHOLT. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I received as part of H.R. 3170, the Financial Services and General Government Appropriations Bill:

Requesting Member: ADERHOLT

Bill Number: H.R. 3170

Account: Small Business Administration (SBA), Salaries and Expenses

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Alabama Small Business Institute of Commerce, Rainbow City, AL

Address of Requesting Entity: P.M.B. 172, 3331 Rainbow Drive, Suite E, Rainbow City, AL 35906

Description of Request: "For small business training, \$100,000"

The funding would be used to provide education and workforce training to Alabama's workforce. The Alabama Small Business Institute and PTAC will partner together to provide assistance to Alabama small business owners with education and workforce development geared towards procuring government contracts. The Industrial Systems Technology and Machining Training will help meet the Federal government's mission of increasing training opportunities to create qualified workers through the nation's community college system. Approximately \$65,000 will be allocated for salaries and \$35,000 for equipment, supplies, travel and related costs.

Requesting Member: ADERHOLT

Bill Number: H.R. 3170

Account: Small Business Administration (SBA), Salaries and Expenses

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Alabama Technology Network, Birmingham, AL

Address of Requesting Entity: 500 Beacon Parkway West, Birmingham, AL 35209

Description of Request: "For the Alabama Center for Advanced Woodworking Technology, \$350,000"

The funding would be used to assist with the renovation, wiring, and expansion of an existing building. The renovation would provide a new location in the facility to house the woodworking facility. The funds would also be used to provide for the physical relocation of the equipment from its current location. The purpose of the funding is to facilitate the growth and development of Alabama's secondary wood processing industries and be a part of local, state and national efforts to recruit, train and retain wood related industries. \$257,500 will be used to disassemble, relocate, reassemble, install, and purchase any additional equipment, materials, supplies, and services to allow ACAWT to renovate and operate in the new facility. \$92,500 will be allocated towards any renovations including additional equipment, services, marketing, and costs necessary to restart operations.

Requesting Member: ADERHOLT

Bill Number: H.R. 3170

Account: Small Business Administration (SBA), Salaries and Expenses

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Northeast Alabama Community College, Rainsville, AL

Address of Requesting Entity: 138 Alabama Highway 35, Rainsville, AL 35986

Description of Request: "For industrial systems technology and machining training, \$335,000"

The funding would be used to assist with the renovation and equipping of a building purchased by Northeast Alabama Community College that will provide the necessary facilities for instruction in the areas of welding, machining, and industrial systems technology (maintenance). \$280,000 will be used for equipment and \$55,000 will be used for salaries.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. DEAN HELLER

OF NEVADA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 16, 2009

Mr. HELLER. Madam Speaker, Pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I received as part of H.R. 3183—Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010:

Requesting Member: Congressman DEAN HELLER

Bill Number: H.R. 3183

Account: Corps of Engineers—Construction—Rural Nevada

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Nevada Statewide: Washoe County Dept of Water Resources, The City of Fernley, Nevada

Address of Requesting Entity: 4930 Energy Way, Reno, NV 89502; 595 Silver Lace Blvd., Fernley, NV 89408

Description of Request: \$3,000,000. Funds will be used to support Sec. 595 of WRDA 1999 to provide rural localities in Nevada with funding for the design and construction of water supply, wastewater treatment, environmental restoration and surface water protection projects.

Specifically, the Washoe County Department of Water Resources will use some of these funds for a multi-phased project that will provide water service to residents currently using domestic wells. Declining water levels and deteriorating water quality are resulting in domestic well failures. In addition, on-site septic systems are contributing contaminants to the groundwater, resulting in residents consuming water that does not meet federal and state water quality standards. The Washoe Department of Water Resources has been working in phases to construct a community water system which will provide residents with a reliable supply of water that meets all state and federal drinking water standards.

Additionally, the City of Fernley, Nevada will use some of these funds for a project that includes the design, property acquisition, and construction of a surface water intake for the Fernley Water Treatment Plant. The plant currently utilizes groundwater as its only source of water, so this project will increase the flexibility in the management of Fernley's water re-

sources. The City of Fernley currently holds approximately 10,000 acre-feet of surface water rights that cannot be utilized without such a facility. This project allows the City of Fernley to utilize a source of water that increases the flexibility of Fernley's water resources. This project enhances Fernley's drought tolerance and introduces surface water to its potable water customers with a lower concentration of arsenic than Fernley's groundwater.

Requesting Member: Congressman DEAN HELLER

Bill Number: H.R. 3183

Account: Department of Energy—Science

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Desert Research Institute

Address of Requesting Entity: 2215 Raggio Parkway, Reno, NV 89512

Description of Request: \$750,000. This funding will help the Desert Research Institute create a statewide center to house and use all available data needed to better understand the current and potential future distribution of water resources within Nevada. Water has become, and will continue to be, the most important limiting resource for the semi-arid urbanizing western United States. This project seeks to fully understand current distribution of water, while also being able to predict accurately the impacts of future conditions (e.g., growth and climate change) on the availability of water.

TRIBUTE TO DR. RAPHAEL KATZEN

HON. STEVE DRIEHAUS

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 16, 2009

Mr. DRIEHAUS. Madam Speaker, today we celebrate the life of Dr. Raphael Katzen as well as his 60-year career and vast accomplishments in the biofuel industry.

Called the "biofuel world champion" by a dear friend, Raphael Katzen was a pioneer in the ethanol industry. Dr. Katzen saw ethanol grow from a World War II emergency measure to a five billion-gallon industry. Beside establishing Raphael Katzen Associates International, Inc., a company well known and respected for its focus on innovation and next-generation technology, Dr. Katzen was named a fellow of both the American Institute of Chemical Engineers and the American Institute of Chemists. Among his many accolades, Dr. Katzen received the prestigious Professional Practice Award of the American Institute of Chemical Engineers, an award that earned him recognition by the Ohio House of Representatives. He also received the C.D. Scott Award of the Symposium on Biotechnology and Bioengineering. In 1996 Dr. Katzen was honored for his lifetime of achievements in bioengineering by election to the National Academy of Engineering.

While all of Dr. Katzen's accomplishments are impressive, perhaps most memorable will be his timeless drive and innovation that kept him on the cutting edge of technology development. Even in his 90s, he could still be found asking tough questions and pushing the envelope at industry conferences.

On behalf of the Congress of the United States and the citizens of Ohio's First Congressional District, it is an honor to recognize the life and career of this remarkable man.